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International Delivery of the Uniform CPA Examination

The California Board of Accountancy (CBA) discussed the international delivery of the Uniform Certified Public Accountant (CPA) Examination (referred to as iExam) at its meeting on May 19-20, 2011.

Although the CBA has been discussing this important topic over the past several months, it has not taken a position on whether California will participate in iExam.

The CBA believes that this topic must be fully examined before allowing California candidates to participate. Many concerns have been raised during the discussions, including grading, security of the examination, enforcement, benefits to California consumers, and the Social Security Number requirement for initial CPA licensure. The CBA has not reached a comfort level with these topics nor have they reached a conclusion on how participating in iExam is in concert with the CBA's mission to protect the consumers of California.

At this time, it is anticipated that the CBA will continue its discussions during the upcoming meetings in July, September and November, or until such time a decision is made.

Once a decision is made or additional information is available, it will be posted on the CBA's Web site, Facebook, and Twitter.